

**MAY 5, 2019 THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER
ST. JUDE CHURCH, BLAIRSTOWN, NJ**

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ST. JUDE - PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We the parish family of St. Jude, as members of the Body of Christ proclaim the Good News of Jesus in our worship, words and deeds. Out of love for God and neighbor, we dedicate our time, talents and treasures to the service of our faith community and to those who are in need.

Question of the Week

Feed my sheep

Reading I: Acts 5:27b–32, 40b–41 (disciples' second trial before the Sanhedrin)

Reading II: Revelation 5:11–14 (praise to the Lamb)
Gospel John 21:1–19 (appearance at the Sea of Tiberias)

Key Passage: When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." (John 21:15)

Adult: In what ways are you answering Jesus' command to Peter to "feed my sheep"?

Child: What do you do to take care of others as Jesus asked Peter to do?

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY MAY 4

5:00 PM Vigil Jim Gilmore r/o St. Jude Ladies Guild

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER, MAY 5

8:15 AM Charles Catalano r/o Anita Lockwood

10:30 AM Parishioners of St. Jude Church

5:00 PM For the Intentions of JoAnn Knapp r/o Barbara Phillips

MONDAY MAY 6

9:00 AM For the Intentions of the St. Jude Ladies Guild

TUESDAY MAY 7

9:00 James Gilmore r/o the Clavel Family

WEDNESDAY MAY 8

9:00 AM James Gilmore r/o St. Jude Knights of Columbus

THURSDAY MAY 9

9:00 AM James Gilmore r/o Al & Noreen Fritschy

FRIDAY MAY 10 (No Mass)

9:00 AM *Liturgy of the Word/Morning Prayer*

SATURDAY MAY 11

5:00 PM Vigil For All Mothers

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER, MAY 12

8:15 AM For All Mothers

10:30 AM For All Mothers

5:00 PM For All Mothers

r/o = "request of"

Reflection: "Peter was distressed that Jesus had said to him a third time, 'Do you love me?' and he said to him, 'Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my sheep.'" (John 21:17)

All of us are challenged to show our love for Jesus and others. Discern how God is calling you to use your time in prayer, your talent in charitable works and your treasure to assist those who in need. Remember that giving is an act of worship and helps advance the mission of our parish and greater Church.

INVEST IN ST. JUDE PARISH

Sunday offerings needed for operating expenses:

Needed July 1, 2018 – April 28, 2019: \$269,696

Actual July 1, 2018 – April 28, 2019: \$236,443

Short: \$33,253

Average weekly collection needed: \$6,272.00

Average given July 1, 2018 – April 28, 2019: \$5,498.67

SUNDAY, APRIL 28, 2019 \$5,598.00

(includes \$1,990 through Online Giving) Last year: \$5,826.00

Easter collection/offerings - \$14,058.00

Easter offerings last year - \$13,825.00

Thank you for your generous Easter Offerings!

OUR BLESSINGS ARE FROM GOD

Many people tithe 5% to the local parish and 5% to other charitable needs like second collections. By our tithing we proclaim our faith that our blessings are from God, and, with confidence and joy, we give a portion of those blessings to support God's work in our church community.



Our secure giving option is accessible through our church website: stjudech.org

The Catholic Relief Services Collection

This Sunday, our parish will take up a second Collection for Catholic Relief Services. Funds from this collection provide food to the hungry, support displaced refugees, and bring Christ's love and mercy to all people here and abroad. Next week, please give generously to the collection, and **help Jesus in disguise**. Learn more about the collection at www.usccb.org/catholic-relief.

From the Pastor:

When Jesus tells you to do something and you do it, you will be blessed. An example of this is in this Sunday's Gospel: The risen Lord calls out to the boat telling Simon Peter and the Apostles with him:

"Cast the net over the right side of the boat and you will find something." So they cast it, and were not able to pull it in because of the number of fish."

The Apostles obedient response leads to the catch of a huge number of fish. This symbolizes the blessing of the many numbers of peoples that will be caught through the obedient proclamation of the Good News by the apostles at the command of Jesus. These blessings continue for the believers in the Lord to this day.

THIS WEEK AT ST. JUDE

Monday, Ladies Guild Meeting starting with 9 AM Mass

Tuesday, 4:15-5:30 PM Faith Formation with May Crowning Ceremony in Church beginning at 4:30 PM

Wednesday, 9:30 AM to 11:00 PM Eucharistic Adoration with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the Chapel

Wednesday, 7:00 PM Bible Study begins:

Mary, A Biblical Walk With the Blessed Mother

Thursday 5:00 AM to 9:00 AM Eucharistic Adoration with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the Chapel

Friday, 7:30 PM Friday Bible Study begins:

Wisdom: God's Vision for Life

Saturday, April 27: 4:00 to 4:30 PM Confessions

Upcoming events

May 19 First Communion

June 15: 5 PM Mass - Celebration of Fr. Ron Jandernoa's 25th anniversary of ordination

Please remember in your prayers

Please remember in your prayers the repose of the soul of Reverend Michael Driscoll, a retired priest of the Diocese of Metuchen, who passed away on April 25. Father Driscoll was ordained to the priesthood on June 9, 1968. He served as a parochial vicar in St. Joseph Parish, Trenton; St. Paul Parish, Burlington; and St. Francis of Assisi Parish, Metuchen. He was pastor of St. Patrick Parish, Belvidere, until his retirement in 2002.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please remember the following who are sick or suffering or need special prayer and have requested that we pray for them:

Bette Ann Kolodziej, Mary Chechelo, Todd Quinn, Gladys & Ed Hillyerd, Bob Kolodziej; our brave military and their families serving around the world, Karen Reddick, Julie Repasky, Donna & Bill O'Reilly, Maryanne Lang, Stefan Grande, Livia Coleman, Lucy Radigan, Joan & Andy Straut, Carol Moore, John, Timothy Card, Dr. Gary Arvary, Adolf Napholz, Timothy Sullivan, James Walsh, John Walsh, Terry Corcoran, Kathy Gawley, Debbie Alfier, David Bratcher, Robert C. Wolff, baby Edwin Song, Richard Cook, Dominic Restuccia, Mary Cervencik, Ann Rung, James Proulx, Yolanda Grande, Blanca Sussman, Paul Ritter, W.J. Higginbotham, Jean Donohue, Lynn Triantos, Anthony Pipi, Donald Bellott, Gary D'Agrosa, Tom & Jeanne Gingles, Melissa Martinez.

We begin a new prayer list every January 1 and July 1. If you would like someone to be on the Prayer List or remove someone, please contact the Parish Office by phone, 908-362-6444 or by e-mail stjudech@ptd.net.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ST JUDE COUNCIL #12430 LOCAL 2019 SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

Knights of Columbus St Jude Council #12430 will be awarding a school local scholarship award (\$500.00) for a qualified student applicant.

If a senior level HS student wishes to be considered, please contact Tom DeMange, PGK the parish office prior to

May 6, 2019 for details/application.

Thank you and God Bless!

DAILY MASS READINGS for May 5 thru May 12

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41; Rv 5:11-14; Jn 21:1-19 or 21:1-14

Monday: Acts 6:8-15; Jn 6:22-29

Tuesday: Acts 7:51—8:1a; Jn 6:30-35

Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8; Jn 6:35-40

Thursday: Acts 8:26-40; Jn 6:44-51

Friday: *Saint Damian de Veuster, Priest*

Acts 9:1-20; Jn 6:52-59

Saturday: Acts 9:31:-42; Jn 6:60-69

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Acts 13:14, 43-52; Rv 7:9, 14b-17; Jn 10:27-30

PRAYER AND DEVOTIONS

Adoration, devotions and prayer are open to all.

Monday to Friday, 8:15 AM Morning Prayer

Monday to Friday, 8:30 AM Rosary

Monday, after 9:00 AM Mass – St. Jude Novena

Wednesday 9:40 AM to 11 PM Adoration in the chapel

Thursday 5:00 AM to 9:00 AM Adoration in the chapel

1st Friday after 9 AM Mass – Litany of the Sacred Heart

Fellowship Café

See you in the Fall,
Unless YOU would like to run the Café for the
Summer. . .

Haven of Hope for Kids presents Lancaster Show Trip & the Dutch Country May 14-15, 2019

Motor coach transportation, 1 night lodging, 2 meals, Admission to the JESUS show at Sight & Sound Theatre, visit Kitchen Kettle Village, Park city Center, includes admission to The Amish Experience & Jacob's Choice at the F/X Theatre. \$225.00 per person, double occupancy, \$ 75.00 due upon signing. For more information. contact Gladys Bellott

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Regular Mass attendance is the most vital aspect of Faith Formation. As part of the curriculum Catechists inspire the children to encourage their own families to attend Mass as a Family.

Full list of Stay Connected Events

-please watch for email blasts

May Faith Formation Classes

Sunday, 5

Tuesday, 7 **May Crowning** last day of classes for all! **Special! Our Lady of Guadeloupe**



Thank You

Our parish changed lives this Lent, and CRS Rice Bowl wants to say THANK YOU!

Don't forget to turn in your CRS Rice Bowl.

Please Bring Rice Bowl money back now to bin in the vestibule or bring to sacristy, or write a check for the full amount and put it in an envelope marked CRS Rice Bowl & place it in the regular Sunday Collection Basket.



2019 Bishop's Annual Appeal

As of April 25, \$30,224 has been pledged by 109 parishioners representing 72% of our goal of \$42,000.

Payments received towards these pledges total \$20,117.00. Thank you to all who have given so generously to the 2019 Bishop's Annual Appeal. If you have not made a pledge, there is still time to participate. Mail your gift to: Diocese of Metuchen, Bishop's Annual Appeal, PO Box 4000, Metuchen, NJ 08840-4000 or give online at www.diometuchen.org/BAA.

Join the Choir

Music Ministry at St. Jude Church

To join the choir or for more information about St. Jude parish choir, contact Bob VanDongen, Director of Music Ministry.

Bake Sale

The St. Jude Ladies Guild is having a Bake Sale on Mother's Day Weekend, May 11th and 12th. Delicious baked goods will be available in the Vestibule following all mass on those dates. What a nice way to treat mom to a surprise on her special day.

Ladies Guild Meeting: The St. Jude Ladies Guild will be meeting May 6, 2019 after the 9:00 A.M. Mass and the May Crowning. Enjoy a social time before the meeting which begins at 10:30 A.M. All ladies of the parish are invited to attend the meetings even if not able to join in the Mass and also you don't have to make every meeting to be a member. Associate Members are valuable to this organization offering their talents also.

WITH GRATITUDE TO OUR ST. JUDE PARISH FAMILY

A VERY SPECIAL THANK YOU TO ALL PARISHIONERS WHO SO GRACIOUSLY AND GENEROUSLY DONATED HAMS AND EASTER DINNER BAGS TO THE FOOD PANTRY SERVING OUR LOCAL NEIGHBORS IN NEED! WE COLLECTED 50 BEAUTIFUL DINNERS THE PATRONS RECEIVING THEM WERE GRATEFUL AND OVERWHELMED BY YOUR GENEROSITY. THE FOOD PANTRY MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS ARE BLESSED AND THANKFUL FOR SUCH A SUPPORTIVE CHURCH FAMILY!

God Bless you all!



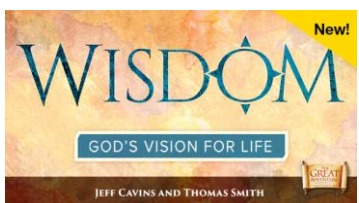
Host Our Lady for a week The Traveling Image of Our Lady of Guadalupe

During this year of preparation for consecration, please consider hosting the traveling Image kit in your home for a week. The kit at the present time is being exchanged each week at the Saturday 5 PM Mass. The kit includes an image of Our Lady of Guadalupe, standing crucifix, votive candle, 4 rosaries, holy water bottle, and pamphlets on how to pray the rosary for children. Sign-up sheet is in the vestibule next to the image of Our Lady of Guadalupe. The exchanges began on January 6th, and run through December.



Mary, A Biblical Walk With the Blessed Mother
Wednesday evening Bible Study
beginning May 8 at 7:00 PM
Go to stjudech.org to register.

This Study beginning May 8 with 8 sessions, held on Wednesday evenings here at St. Jude Parish in McNulty Hall will include video presentations offered by Edward Siri.



Wisdom: God's Vision for Life Bible Study
beginning on Friday evenings
May 10, 2018, 7:30 Pm, St. Jude McNulty Hall
To Join Study Go To: St.JudeCh.org

Drawing on the wisdom literature of the Bible—Proverbs, Wisdom, Sirach, and Ecclesiastes—*Wisdom* will teach you how to actively seek out sound guidance and increase your sense of peace in navigating life. In everything from friendships to finances, from making decisions to attaining peace of mind, Scripture offers a vision for happiness and well-being. With this program, you will learn how to gather, gain, and grow in wisdom, and you will experience the joy it brings to your life.

New Church Roof

The St. Jude Church building needs a new roof. Currently we are working on roof bids. If you would like to donate towards the new roof, please mail your offerings marked roof repair to St. Jude Church or place in regular Sunday offering or give online through online Giving from our parish website. Offerings towards the new roof that we have received as of April 22 amount to \$1,000.00. Thank you for your generous support.

Mother's Day Mass Remembrance

Mother's Day Mass remembrance envelopes are available in the church vestibule and in your offering envelope packet. Please return them with your mothers' names to the parish office by May 9th to be placed on the Altar for Mother's Day weekend Masses. You may place the envelope in the regular collection at Mass by May 5th so that they can be placed on the altar for the masses for Mother's Day weekend.



May Crowning

All Are Welcome!

Tuesday, May 7, St. Jude Church
 4:30 PM in McNulty Hall
 sponsored by Faith Formation



Quo Vadis Days
June 25-27, 2019

Young men ages 14-17!

You're invited to spend three days living, praying and interacting with priests, seminarians and faith-filled teens your own age. The days will include dynamic talks, a visit from Bishop Checchio, sports and activities, prayer, small group discussion and so much more. Quo Vadis Days will be held at the Salesian National Shrine of Our Lady Help of Christians in Stony Point, New York June 25-27, 2019
 For more information, phone (732) 562-2457
 or email vocations@diometuchen.org

Relit 3 Day Evangelization Training
June 28-30, 2019 St. John Neumann Center
146 Metlars Lane, Piscataway, NJ

Online Registration at:

<https://diometuchen.org/evangeliztion-events>

cost \$125.00 deadline to register - June 14

Relit Transforms Every Ministry in Your Parish

Relit: The Heart of Evangelization is a training program like you've never seen before. If we as a Church want to be effective in leading people to a life-giving relationship with Christ we first need to be formed and trained in how to do it. This 3 day program is an exciting and integrated series of talks which help to form participants theologically, spiritually and practically to be active evangelists in the Church.



Annual NJ Catholic Rally at Great Adventure
May 19 - 8:30 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Six Flags-Great Adventure, Jackson.

The rally is open to scouts, junior high and high school students, and young adult ministry. The day will include entrance to the park, Mass and a concert by Matt Maher. Admission is \$50 for park access and food. Food only is \$20 if you have a seasons pass. For tickets and details,

email jglynn@diometuchen.org

or visit www.diometuchen.org/nj-youth-rally.